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## 'Carolina Conspiracy' authors to advise writers June 20

Think you have what it takes to write a book?

Find out more during a free writers workshop Saturday, June 20 in Newton. Catawba County Library System will host authors from the "Carolina Conspiracy" from 10 a.m. to noon.

Jim and Joyce Lavene, who appeared at Southwest Branch Library recently, will join some other North Carolina writers for a lively discussion about publishing mystery novels.

On the panel will be Elizabeth Spann Craig discussing what makes a great character, Doug Walker exploring setting in a book, Lynette Hall Hampton talking about staying motivated as a writer and Susan Whitfield explaining the revision process.

The Lavenes will share the ins and outs of publishers and agents. They are best known for their popular Charlotte-based Peggy Lee Garden mysteries as well as a how-to book, *The Everything Guide to Writing a Novel*. The pair has just released the fifth of the Peggy Lee Garden series, *A Corpse for Yew*.

Combined, the group has more than 100 years of writing and publishing experience.

The workshop, open to ages 12 and older, is free and open to the public and preregistration is not required. Participants should bring a laptop or paper and pen with them.

Library materials addressing the how-to's of writing will be available for checkout. The authors will have their books available for sale and signing.

For further information, contact Richard Griffin, Youth Services librarian, at 465-8668.



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